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The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That this Board has learned with regret that the business engagements of Mr. Chas. Burckhalter prevent him from further continuing to fill the office of Secretary of the Society, the duties of which he has performed with the greatest fidelity during the last three years.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Society and its Board of Directors are due to Messrs. Warner & Swasey for their generous donation of 1000 superb steel engravings of the Lick telescope to be used in our next publication.

Resolved, That this Society and its Board of Directors gratefully recognize the exquisite gift to it by Mr. E. J. Molera of a framed altorelievo in metal of the bust of James Lick, the founder of the Lick Observatory. After attending to other business the Directors adjourned.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE DIRECTORS A. S. P., HELD IN THE ROOMS OF THE SOCIETY, MARCH 26, 1892, FROM 9 TO 9.45 P. M.

The new Board of Directors was called to order by Mr. Molera, A quorum was present. The minutes of the last meeting were approved. The business in hand being the election of officers for the ensuing year, the following officers were duly elected:

President: Mr. J. M. SCHAEBERLE.

Vice-Presidents: Messrs. Molera, Soulé and Von Geldern.

Secretaries: Messrs. Campbell and Ziel.

Treasurer: Mr. ZIEL.

The President was authorized to appoint the various Standing Committees of the Directors and accordingly made the following selections:

Finance Committee: Messrs. Pierson, Martin, Ziel.

Library Committee: Messrs. Molera, von Geldern, Hill.

The Standing Committees of the Society are:

Committee on Publication: Messrs. Holden, Campbell and Yale.

Committee on the Comet-Medal: Messrs. Holden (ex-officio), Schaeberle and Burckhalter.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved: That the Directors of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific extend to Mr. Pierson their thanks for his valuable services as President of the Society.

It was also-

Resolved: That Wm. M. Pierson be and is hereby elected an Honorary Member of this Society. Mr. Pierson returned his grateful thanks for the honor conferred upon him, but, for reasons satisfactory, begged to resign his honorary membership, and his resignation was accordingly accepted.

It was, on motion-

Resolved: That the President be empowered to appoint a Committee for the purpose of raising the necessary funds for the purchase of a telescope and the building of an observatory in San Francisco.\*

Adjourned.

Annual Meeting of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific, held in the Lecture-Hall of the California Academy of Sciences, March 26, 1892.

The meeting was called to order by President Pierson. The minutes of the last meeting were approved. The Secretary read a list of presents received since the last meeting and the thanks of the Society were voted to the givers. It was *voted* that the thanks of the Society be returned to the California Academy of Sciences for the use of their lecture-hall. A list of thirty-two new members duly elected at the Directors meeting was read to the meeting.

The following papers were presented:

- Annual Address by the retiring President, Hon. Wm. M. Pierson, San Francisco.
- 2. The Sun's Motion in Space, by W. H. S. Monck, Dublin.
- 3. How to find Celestial Objects with an Equatorial Telescope without the Aid of a Sidereal Time-piece, by Chas. Burckhalter, Oakland
- 4. Astronomical Observations in 1891, by TORVALD KÖHL, Odder, Denmark.
- 5. The Harvard College Observatory Astronomical Expedition to Peru, by Mrs. M. Fleming, of Cambridge.
- Discovery of New Rills on the Moon on Lick Observatory Negatives, by Prof. L. Weinek, of Prague.

The Committee on Nominations reported a list of names proposed for election, as follows:

For Directors: Messis. Alvord, Campbell, Hill, Holden, Camilo Martin, Molera, Pierson, Schaeberle, Soulé, Von Geldern, Ziel.

For Committee on Publication: Messrs. Holden, Campbell, Yale.

Messrs. J. Costa and L. H. Pierson were appointed as tellers. The polls were open from 8.15 to 9 P. M., and the persons above named were duly elected.

<sup>\*</sup> The following have been appointed: Messrs. Pierson, Molera, Alvord and Miss O'Halloran.